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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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<b>Tomowaki TAKAHASHI et al.</b>	)	<b>Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned</b>
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<b>National Stage of International Application No.</b>	)	
<b>PCT/JP2004/019097 under 35 U.S.C. 371, for</b>	)	
<b>PROJECTION OPTICAL SYSTEM AND</b>	)	
<b>EXPOSURE APPARATUS WITH THE SAME</b>	)	

**Commissioner for Patents**  
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Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract of the Disclosure begin on page 9 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.